

ARKANSAS
WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



* HARVESTING WHEAT, OATS , HAY AND IRRIGATING CORN, RICE

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RELEASED: June 21,1999 3:00 p.m.– Temperatures were below normal for most the state and most areas had below normal rainfall with scattered showers and storms during the first part of the week according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. 6.0 days were suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 25 percent short, 67 percent adequate and 4 percent surplus. The main farming activities of the week included planting soybeans, harvesting wheat, oats, and hay, flooding rice fields, irrigating corn and rice, and fertilizing corn, cotton, rice, and pasture.

CROPS: Planting of soybeans was reported by several counties. Herbicides were being applied to rice fields and insecticides to cotton for thrips. Tomatoes and peaches were being harvested.

LIVESTOCK: Cattle producers continued to market cattle and wean calves. Cattle were given bang vaccinations, treated for external parasites, and were reported in good condition statewide.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %				Condition % ¹				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
SORGHUM				0	4	36	53	7
Planted	100	100	100					
Emerged	99	99	98					
COTTON				0	6	28	55	11
Squaring	59	58	50					
RICE				0	2	24	54	20
SOYBEANS				0	2	33	55	10
Planted	84	88	81					
Emerged	71	76	68					
Blooming	4	8	4					
CORN				0	0	26	54	20
WHEAT				1	2	12	54	31
Harvested	77	87	59					
OATS				0	0	32	60	8
Harvested	81	98	71					
ALFALFA				0	1	29	65	5
OTH. HAY				0	4	25	59	12
PASTURE				0	5	26	58	11

¹Condition published after at least 10% of crop has emerged, and continues until 90% of crop has been harvested.

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